

The Daily Courant.

Monday, November 29 1708

The Order of the Elector of Bavaria to the Trumpeter, whom he sent into Brussels to summons M. Paical to Surrender, Nov. 23.

HE shall summons the Commandant of the City of Brussels, to surrender to his Electoral Highness; who is about to attack him with his Army and Artillery which is coming up. His Electoral Highness knows that the Commandant is not in a Condition to defend himself with the few Troops he has; wherefore if he obliges his Electoral Highness to begin the Attack, he shall have no Capitulation for himself or his Garrison. Let not the Commandant flatter himself that he can retire with his Garrison to Antwerp if he delays to surrender, for he is to know that he will soon find Troops posted to hinder his Retreat.

The Answer return'd by the Trumpeter.

Monseigneur. The Commandant of Brussels is very unfortunate in not having the Honour to be Known to your Electoral Highness. He dares assure you, that he will do all that a Man of Honour ought to do: That he is contented with his Garrison: And that he has the Honour to be with profound Respect

Monseigneur, your Electoral Highness's most humble Servant *PASCAL.*

A Letter to the States General from their Deputies in Brussels.

High and mighty Lords. We had the Honour to receive this Morning your High Mightinesses secret Resolution of the 25th, by which we see with great Satisfaction that your High Mightinesses have approv'd what we have done here for the Good of the common Cause. We shall not fail to assist in using all necessary Means for the Preservation of this Place.

'Tis a singular Pleasure to us to be able to inform your High Mightinesses by this Letter, that the Enemy without having gain'd an Inch of Ground began at 9 last Night to attack the Counterscarp with great Fury, between the Gates of Louvain and Namur: The Fire was terrible on both Sides, and lasted till 5 in the Morning; during which time the Enemy made 9 Attacks, and at length lodg'd themselves on the Glacis of the Counterscarp. But about 6 a Clock, our Men made a Sally from the Cover'd-Way, Sword in Hand, with such Success, that the Enemy were beaten out of their Works on the Counterscarp, which were level'd.

We cannot sufficiently commend the Bravery of the Troops of this Garrison, especially those of the State, tho' all in general did their Duty very well: But seeing this Garrison is already much fatigu'd, and will not be able to resist long the vigorous Attacks which in all Appearance the Enemy will renew, we have earnestly solicited the Duke of Marlborough and the Deputies with the Army, not to defer a Moment to succour this Place; without which, however brave our Men are, they cannot very long sustain the furious Attacks of the Enemy. We are, &c. Brussels, Nov. 27.

A second Letter from the same Deputies.

High and mighty Lords. We hope your High Mightinesses have receiv'd the Letter by which we had Yesterday the Honour to communicate to you the furious Attacks made by the Enemy the Night between the 26th and 27th on the Counterscarp of this City. After we had Yesterday again dispos'd all things as well as possible for resisting the Enemy's Attacks, because our Spies reported unanimously that in the Night the Enemy would not only make a General Assault, but would also fire with burning Bullets, to excite the Burghers to Sedition, we observ'd about 12 at Night, that the Enemy's Army was in Motion; and soon after that they were retiring towards Namur, with such Precipitation, that they left behind them 12 Cannon and 4 Mortars which are fallen into our Hands.

We cannot sufficiently commend the Courage and Conduct of the Generals Paical, Murray, and Wrangel; nor set too great a Value on the Proofs of both given by the Collonels Egelin and Lefcheraine, who happening to be here without their Regiments, yet offer'd themselves to be employ'd by us in the Defence of the City: And we hope your High Mightinesses will be pleas'd to consider, on Occasion, the Services render'd by these Officers.

The States of Brabant have shewn on this Occasion, as in many others, their Zeal for King Charles and his Allies; having never been backward to supply us with the Money we needed for this Service; so that we had

no Necessary to make use of the State's Credit or our own: In this the said States have merited highly.

We congratulate your High Mightinesses on the Preservation of this important Post, by which Antwerp and the Frontiers of our Republick are secur'd, and the Towns of Louvain, Mechlen, and Lier sav'd.

Our Secretary, whom we send Express, will inform your High Mightinesses of the Particulars more at large; to which we refer because we are streighten'd in Time; being extremely joyful that it has pleas'd the Almighty, for the good of the State, to bless the Resolution we had taken, to assist in the Defence of this Place to Extremity. We are, &c. Brussels, Nov. 28.

J. van den Bergh.

Baron van Reede, Lord of Renswoude.

P. S. We forgot to mention, that during the Siege, M. Decker, first Burgomaster of this City, acquitted himself in his Station with all Zeal and Diligence.

A Letter to the States General from M. Paical, Commandant of Brussels.

My Lords,

Your High Mightinesses will not be displeas'd that I have the Honour to inform you, that his Electoral Highness has broke up the Siege of Brussels, leaving behind him 12 Pieces of Cannon, 2 Mortars, and 3 Waggon Loads of Powder: From the 26th to the 27th he had caus'd his Batteries to be made; and about 10 at Night he began to attack the Cover'd-Way, with all imaginable Vigour; but was repuls'd in all his Attacks by my Garrison, who stood them with inexpressible Firmness. The rest I refer to the Bearer. The Enemy have lost an infinite Number of Men, and have left me all their wounded, which I am told amount to above 800. I shall have the Honour to send your High Mightinesses a List, as soon as I have Leisure to take an exact one. I hope your High Mightinesses will permit me to have the Honour to congratulate you on this happy Occurrence. I had the good Fortune to have in this Affair two Seconds, Major General Murray and Baron Wrangel, who did all that could be expected from two Persons of so great Experience and Valour as they are: I was also seconded by the Valour of the whole Garrison, and even by the Collonels Egelin and Lefcher, tho' they were not of this Garrison. I shall have the Honour to inform your High Mightinesses, at Leisure, of the Bravery of all the Commanders of the Regiments of this Garrison, which is inexpressible; and of all the Officers, who were in this Service, of all Nations. All this good Success is owing to the Firmness and Resolution, which the Lords Deputies of your High Mightinesses shew'd on this Occasion; and their Presence gave such a Firmness and Confidence to the Burghers, as cannot be too much prais'd; no more than can the Zeal, Activity, and Readiness of their Burgomasters to execute whatever was requir'd of them for the Service of the common Cause.

I hope the Lord will always bless the Arms of the High Allies, and that your High Mightinesses will permit me to have the Honour to assure them how much and with what Respect I am

My Lords,

Your High Mightinesses most humble and most obedient and most submissive Servant

PASCAL E.

A Letter to the States General from the Lords the Deputies with the Army.

High and Mighty Lords. After we had receiv'd certain Advice, that the Elector of Bavaria was march'd towards Brussels, at the Head of some of the Enemy's Troops to besiege that Place; it was resolv'd to force the Passage of the Schelde, and to march that Way. To that End, 100 Squadrons and 50 Battallions under the Duke of Marlborough, and 50 Squadrons with 19 Battallions under Prince Eugene, march'd the 25th Instant, to attempt to pass that River in 3 or 4 several Places. Which, by the Blessing of God, succeeded so well, that this Morning the Duke of Marlborough pass'd at Kerkhoven between 7 and 8 a Clock, without firing a Shot or losing a Man; as did also the Body under the Count de Lotum, in the same Manner, at Asperen; the Enemy having drawn off all their Troops along the Schelde, from Ghent to Tournay, and abandon'd their posts: All the Troops have joyn'd here, except some which are sent back to the Citadel of Lille. To Morrow, at Daybreak, we shall

shall continue our March towards Brussels; and we hope the Effect will be, that we shall be able, by the Blessing of God, to send you an Account of the Deliverance of that Place. We are, &c.

E. van Collen.
S. van Gossinga.
Count de Rechteren.

A Letter from the Count de Tilly to their High Mightinesses.

High and Mighty Lords,

THE 23d and 24th we sent our Artillery and Baggage from the Camp at Rousselaer to Menin; and the 25th we march'd with the Army towards Haerlebeeck; whither our Cavalry, who according to the Dispositions made were to follow us, could not reach till the 26th at 7 in the Morning; because the Roads at this Season are impracticable.

However, we renew'd our March that Afternoon at 4 a Clock, without causing any Waggon or Carriages to follow us, and kept moving forwards all the Night; that we might arrive this Morning before Day at the Schelde, and attempt to pass it.

The Dispositions were settled in this Manner: That Prince Eugene, who put himself on the March Yesterday with a Body of Troops, should attempt to pass at Escanasse, the Duke of Marlborough and I with the Troops of the State at Kerkhoven; and the Count de Lottum at Gavre.

We all arriv'd this Morning at the Places and Time agreed; and we laid our Bridges at Kerkhoven, and caus'd a great Body of our Troops to pass over, before the Enemy had Notice of it: Then we march'd directly to the Post which the Enemy had at Berchem. In the mean while, the Count de Lottum made himself Master likewise of the Post of Gavre, without Resistance. But Prince Eugene finding the Passage at Escanasse too difficult, and having Intelligence that we were Masters of the River at Kerkhoven, he immediately caus'd his Troops to march thither, and there came over also.

This done, we march'd in Conjunction towards the Enemy's Intrenchments before Audenarde; but we could only get up with their Rearguard, because they had retir'd with great Precipitation, flying towards Grammont: They had sent away their Cannon the Day before; and of 16 Squadrons and 19 Battalions which they had in the Intrenchments, we took about 500 Prisoners, and kill'd about 100. To Morrow we shall continue our March towards Brussels &c. From the Camp before Audenarde, Nov. 27.

The Count de Tilly.

P. S. The greatest Part of the Enemy's Baggage and Equipages are become our Booty.

From the Camp at Beirilinghem, Dec. 3. The 27th of November at Night the Duke of Marlborough, Prince Eugene, and the Count de Tilly, encamp'd on the rising Grounds before Audenarde; except Part of the Prince's Troops who return'd that Evening towards Lille. The 28th in the Morning Prince Eugene return'd towards Lille. 40 Squadrons were detach'd under Lieutenant General Dompere, with Order to take Post between Aloft and Aische; and to march the 29th to Brussels if the Enemy should not have rais'd the Siege: This Detachment under Lieutenant General Dompere, was reinforc'd by 20 Squadrons under the Count d'Erbach. The Duke of Marlborough and the Count de Tilly encamp'd at Omberg and Borst, but his Grace took up his Quarter in a Castle near to Aloft. That Day, we had Advice by several Expresses, that the Elector of Bavaria had drawn off from before Brussels the Night before. The 29th my Lord Duke went to Brussels, and in the Evening return'd to his Quarter near Aloft. The 30th the Troops rested, being much fatigu'd. The 1st Instant my Lord Duke came with his Army from about Aloft, and encamp'd with the Left near this Place, and the Right near Audenarde. Lieutenant General Dedem with 20 Battalions has pass'd the Schelde at that Place, and is encamp'd on the other side of that River: And Lieutenant General Hompefch with 38 Squadrons and 8 Battalions is encamp'd at Menin: By which Dispositions we hold a Communication with Prince Eugene's Forces in Lille. Whence we have an Account that during the Absence of Prince Eugene, the Beliegers lodg'd themselves on the second Counterfarp of the Citadel; that Batteries were begun to be rais'd on that Counterfarp the 1st Instant, to batter the Body of the Place; and that as soon as they are finish'd, Prince Eugene designs to summon the Marshal de Boufflers to surrender; having already inform'd him of our passing the Schelde, and obliging the Elector of Bavaria to break up the Siege of Brussels. During that Siege, Major General Pallant, Governour of Aeth, surpriz'd with a Detachment St. Guislain; between Mons and Conde: But the Enemy have since retaken it by Capitulation, pursuant to which our Men are to be conducted to Mons,

till they are exchange'd, and are to keep their Equipages: Those of the Enemy who were taken in the said Place, and could not be sent away, are likewise to remain Prisoners of War. Lieutenant General Dompere was order'd with a strong Detachment to the Relief of St. Guislain; but on his Way heard of its Surrender: Whereupon he halted at Attre; and is commanded to assist in bringing from Aeth to Audenarde a great Convoy of Ammunition and Stores intended for Lille. Our Advices concerning the French Army, are, that our passing the Schelde has put them under the greatest Consternation, and that part of their Troops are march'd to Valenciennes. The French King having recall'd all the Passports given by his Generals, thinking thereby to distress us, we have recall'd all ours. Yesterday being appointed by my Lord Duke for returning solemn Thanks to God, for our happy Passage of the Schelde and the Relief of Brussels; it was very religiously observ'd through the whole Army.

His Excellency the Venerian Ambassador Chevalier Cornaro does hereby give notice before his Departure from England, that if any Person or Persons pretends to be his Creditors, that they repair to Warwick House, or to Kington, where they shall be paid if their Bills be found just.

Drop on Saturday the 27th Instant, between 10 and 11 in the Forenoon, between the end of Giltm-Street and Lime-Street in Fenchurch-Street, a Plain Gold Ring without Letter or Po- lie; whoever shall bring the said Ring to Kempton's Coffee-House in Fenchurch-Street, shall have the full Value, and as a Reward 5 s. over, and if Sold or Pawn'd, desire Notice may be given at the same Place, and shall have the same Reward.

The Annual Feast of the Natives of Dorsetshire will be held at Merce's Hall in Cheap-side, on Wednesday the 1st of December next. Tickets may be had of Mr. John Baker, Bookfeller, at the said Hall; Mr. John Gould, Pen-wig-maker, in St. Clements Church-yard in the Strand; Mr. David Wyche, Watch maker, against Northumberland-House at Charing-Cross; Mr. Tho. Petty, Cook, in Fenchurch-Street near Mark-Lane, and Mr. Swaffild's, Bookfeller, in White-Chappel.

To be Let, a good and ancient well-accustom'd Publick House, with great Conveniencies Inquire at Mr. Francis Kettleby's, Jun. at the Queen's-Arms in King's-Street, Little Tower-Hill.

In Hertfordshire, 4 Miles from Hitchin, is to be Sold a Farm in good Repair, with Dove-house, Granary, &c. consisting of 270 Acres of Arable and 160 of Meadow and Pasture, Let at the yearly Rent of 72 l. 10 s. Inquire of Mr. Stacey in Threadneedle-Street.

There is a Parcel of very good Spunges to be Sold by Wholesale or Retail, they are to be seen at Mr. Strode's a Packer in Broadstreet near the Royal Exchange.

A Stock of Woollen Cloth taken in an Execution (and design'd for publick Sale by the Candle,) is now to be Sold at the Bull-head in Windsor-Court near the May-Pole in the Strand. There is Superfine Mens and Womens Black Cloth at 13 s. 6 d. Refine and Superfine Scarlets at 15 and 18 s. and all Sorts of mixt Spanish Cloth, with the lowest Price upon each Piece according to the Original Appraisement.

This Day begins the Sale of Bibliotheca Goodalliana: or, A Catalogue of the Library of the Reverend Mr. George Goodall, B. D. late Rector of Padworth in Berkshire, consisting of valuable Greek, Latin, Italian, French, English, &c. Books in Divinity, History, Philosophy, Physick, &c. in all Volumes; most of which are very fair, and many of them Gilt and Letter'd. Which will begin to be Sold by Auction at the Latin alias Black-Roy Coffee-house in Ave-Mary-Lane near Ludgate-street, this Day the 29th of Nov. Beginning every Evening at 5 a Clock, till the Sale is ended. By Francis Hubbard bookfeller. Catalogues may be had of Mr. King in Westminster-Hill; Mr. Bullfinch near St. James's House; Mr. Stokely and Mr. Bray, Charing-Cross; Mr. Harding in St. Martin's Lane; Mr. Brown without Temple-Bar; Mr. Boyer and Mr. Clements, St. Paul's Church-yard; Mr. R. Parker at the Royal Exchange; Mr. Tracy on London-Bridge, and Mr. Archer in Henrietta-street, Covent-Garden, Bookfellers, and at the Place of Sale.

For SALE by the CANDLE.

At the Marine Coffee-house in Birch-in-Lane, on Wednesday the 28th of December, at 5 a Clock in the Afternoon, will be sold Sundre Sorts of Bengall, China, Piedmont, Ragon Silk; Raw and Thrown, and Grogam Yarn. By James Hawkins, Broker.

FOR SALE BY THE CANDLE.

At the Marine Coffee-house in Birch-in-Lane, on Thursday the 29th of December, at 5 of the Clock in the Afternoon, will be sold 45 Bales of Bengall Silk of A B C D, Six Lots of China Silk, 3 Bales of Orisy and 4 Bales of true Bologna. The Goods are to be seen at Leather-filix Hall, Bishopsgate-street, Little St. Helens, and Books given out at the same Place till the time of Sale. By Charles Bunker, Broker.

FOR SALE BY THE CANDLE.

On Thursday the 29th of December, at 4 a Clock, at Lloyd's Coffee-house in Lombard-Street, Turkey Coffee in Time, Green Nuts, Julienne Bark, and Spanish Saff. To be seen from to Morrow all Day till the Hour of Sale, in y Warehouse of Mr. Belith's in Billiter Lane. To be sold by Tho. Tomkins, Broker, in Crouched Keyes near Tower-Hill.

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